

Biography for Rev. Beth P. Tatum

Rev. Beth Tatum is founding President of the Board of the non-profit, Coastal Bend Disaster Recovery Group, established in 2015 following flooding, tornadoes, and hailstorms across Nueces and Jim Wells counties. She became involved in the local VOAD in fall of 2010 when the Oso creek overflowed, flooding the Los Colonias subdivision in Corpus Christi. She represented the United Methodist district as a substitute when the designated Disaster Response Coordinator went to Haiti on a mission trip.

She currently pastors Sinton First United Methodist Church and is a member of the Rio Texas Annual Conference Disaster Response Committee. Beth earned her Master's in Divinity from Perkins School of Theology at SMU and undergraduate degree in Chemical Engineering from Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas.

Prior to entering the ministry she worked in the petrochemical industry as a Sr. Environmental Engineer on the corporate Health, Safety and Environmental staff of LyondellEquistar, specializing in air regulations and Title V (Five) compliance.

She is a disaster survivor of Hurricanes Rita and Ike while living in Lumberton. She is proud mom of Matthew, who lives in the Austin area, and Lindsey Koon, who shares daily updates of FIRST grandbaby, Frankie, from Chatanooga.